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(OMB No. 1004-0137
,	Expires March 31, 2007

Lease Serial No.

BUREAU OF LAND MAN	UTU-76504			
APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO	If Indian, Allotee or Tribe Name NA			
la. Type of work: DRILL REENTI	ER	•	7. If Unit or CA Agree NA	ement, Name and No.
lb. Type of Well: ☐ Oil Well	Single Zone Multip	ple Zone	8. Lease Name and V North Horsesh	
2. Name of Operator The Houston Exploration Company			9. API Well No.	-047-3883
3a. Address 1100 Louisiana, Suite 2000 Houston TX, 77002	3b. Phone No. (include area code) 713-830-6800		10. Field and Pool, or E Exploratory	Exploratory 11 Fide L
4. Location of Well (Report location clearly and in accordance with an At surface 624 38 483' FNL & 606' FEL NE 1/4 of	ny State requirements.*) 40 305 of the NE 1/4 -109.5346	- 1,	11. Sec., T. R. M. or Bl	
At proposed prod. zone Same as above 4442435	Y 104.7390	,20	Sec. 15, T6S. R	21E. S.L.B.&M.
 Distance in miles and direction from nearest town or post office* 14.1 miles south of Vernal, UT 			12. County or Parish Uintah	13. State
15. Distance from proposed* location to nearest property or lease line, ft.	16. No. of acres in lease		g Unit dedicated to this w	vell
(Also to nearest drig. unit line, if any) 18. Distance from proposed location*	19. Proposed Depth	20. BLM/I	BIA Bond No. on file	
to nearest well, drilling, completed, applied for, on this lease, ft.	10,500'	10415	55044	
21. Elevations (Show whether DF, KDB, RT, GL, etc.) 4884' GR	22. Approximate date work will sta 12/01/2006	rt*	23. Estimated duration 30 Days	n
	24. Attachments			
 The following, completed in accordance with the requirements of Onsho Well plat certified by a registered surveyor. A Drilling Plan. A Surface Use Plan (if the location is on National Forest System SUPO must be filed with the appropriate Forest Service Office). 	4. Bond to cover t Item 20 above). Lands, the 5. Operator certific	he operatio		existing bond on file (see may be required by the
25. Signature William a Tyon	Name (Printed Typed) William A Ryan			Date 10/30/2006
Title Agent		~ ~~	· · · · · · ·	
Approved by (Signature)	Name (Printed Typed) BRADLEY	G HII		Date /- DT - X
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Application approval does not warrant or certify that the applicant hol conduct operations thereon. Conditions of approval, if any, are attached.	ds legal or equitable title to those righ	nts in the sub	oject lease which would e	entitle the applicant to

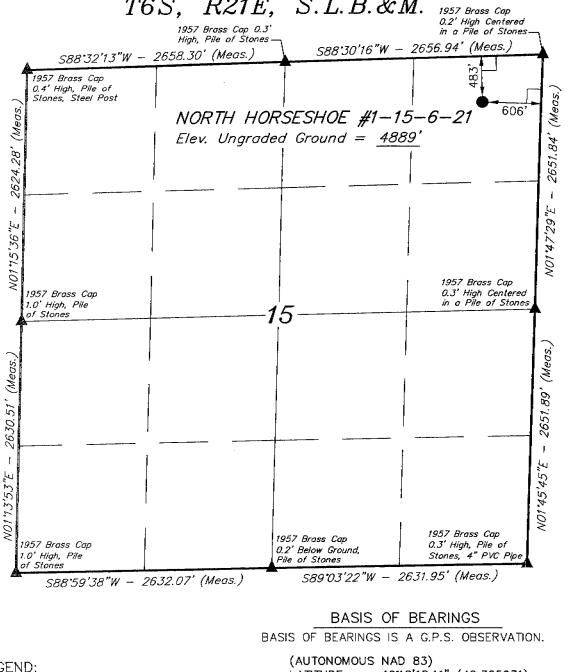
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*(Instructions on page 2)

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Pederal Approval of this Action is Necessary

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LEGEND:

__ = 90° SYMBOL

PROPOSED WELL HEAD.

 \triangle = SECTION CORNERS LOCATED.

(AUTONOMOUS NAD 83)
LATITUDE = 40"18"18.11" (40.305031)
LONGITUDE = 109"32"05.09" (109.534747)
(AUTONOMOUS NAD 27)
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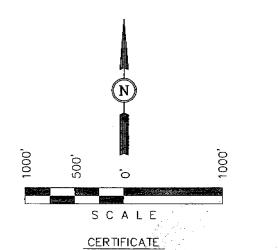
LONGITUDE = 40.18.18.25 (40.303069) LONGITUDE = 109.32.02.60° (109.534056)

THE HOUSTON EXPLORATION COMPANY

Well location, NORTH HORSESHOE #1-15-6-21, located as shown in the NE 1/4 NE 1/4 of . Section 15, T6S, R21E, S.L.B.&M. Uintah County, Utah.

BASIS OF ELEVATION

SPOT ELEVATION AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF SECTION 33, T5S, R21E, S.L.B.&M. TAKEN FROM THE VERNAL SE QUADRANGLE, UTAH, UINTAH COUNTY, 7.5 MINUTE QUAD. (TOPOGRAPHIC MAP) PUBLISHED BY THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, GEOLOGICAL SURVEY. SAID ELEVATION IS MARKED AS BEING 5349 FEET.



THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE PLAT WAS PREPARED FROM FIELD NOTES OF ACTUAL SURVEYS MADE BY ME OR UNDER MY SUPERVISION AND THAT THE SAME ARE TRUE AND CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELLET

REGISTERED LAND SURVEYOR
REGISTRATION NO. 161319
STATE OF UTAH

Uintah Engineering & Land Surveying 85 SOUTH 200 EAST - VERNAL, UTAH 84078

(435) 789-1017

SCALE 1" = 1000'	DATE SURVEYED: DATE DRAWN: 12-05-05 12-14-05		
PARTY B.H. J.T. P.M.	REFERENCES G.L.O. PLAT		
WEATHER COLD	FILE THE HOUSTON EXPLORATION COMPANY		

Ten Point Plan

The Houston Exploration Company

North Horseshoe 1-15-6-21

Surface Location NE 1/4 NE 1/4,

Section 15, T. 6S., R. 21E.

1. Surface Formation Uintah

2. Estimated Formation Tops and Datum:

Formation		Depth	Datum
Uintah		Surface	4,884' GR
Green River		4,288'	596'
Birds Nest	Water	4,488'	396'
Wasatch	Oil/Gas	7,777	-2,893
Mesaverde	Oil/Gas	10,288'	-5,404
TD		10,500'	-5,616'

A 17 ½" hole will be drilled to 4,577' +/-. The hole depth will depend on the depth that the Birds Nest Zone is encountered. All fresh water and oil and gas baring zones shall be protected by casing and cement program.

3. Producing Formation Depth:

Formation objective includes the Wasatch, Mesaverde and their sub-members.

4. Proposed Casing:

Hole	Casing			Coupling	Casing	
<u>Size</u>	Size	Weight/FT	<u>Grade</u>	& Tread	Depth	New/Used
30	26	68.75#	A430		40'	NEW
24	20	94#	H-40	ST&C	350'	NEW
17 ½	13 3/8	85#	N-80	ST&C	4,577	NEW
12	9 5/8	53.5#	N-80	LT&C	7,7 77 °	NEW
7 7/8	4 1/2	11.6#	P-110	LT&C	9,400'	NEW
7 7/8	4 1/2	13.5#	P-110	LT&C	10,500	NEW

Cement Program:

Conductor casing #1 will be cemented as follows from 0'-40':

Note: Cement Volume = Gauge hole + 50%

	Casing <u>Size</u>	Cement <u>Type</u>	Cement Amounts	Cement <u>Yield</u>	Water <u>Mix</u>	Cement <u>Weight</u>
Lead:		D 1 1 C) (T)				
	26	Portland CMT Class IA 4 Integral Air-entraining	42 sks +/- Agent	1.15ft³/sk	5	15.8 ppg

Conductor	casing #2	will be c	emented a	s follows	from 0'- 350':	

Cement volume = Gauge hole + 50%						
	Casing Size	Cement Type	Cement Amounts	Cement <u>Yield</u>	Water <u>Mix</u>	Cement Weight
Lead	20	Portland CMT Class "G"	247 sks +/-	1.5ft³/sk	5	15.8 ppg

The Surface Casing will be cemented as follows from 0'- 4,577':

1/4#/sk Flocele

Ceme	ent volume	= Gauge hole +	25%	27.07.10	'	
	Casing	Cement	Cement	Cement	Water	Cement
	<u>Size</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Amounts</u>	<u>Yield</u>	\underline{Mix}	Weight
Lead:						
	13 3/8"	Premium "5" 16% Gel 10#/sk Gilsonite 3% Salt 3#/sk GB3	987 sks. +/-	3.82ft³/sk	23	11.0 ppg
Tail:						
	13 3/8"	Class "G" 2% Calcium Chlo 0.25#/sk Flocele	294 sks. +/- pride	1.18ft³/sk	5	15.6 ppg
Top J	ob:	•				
		Class "G" 4% Calcium Chlo 0.25#sk Flocele	10-200 sks. +/-	1.15ft³/sk	5	15.8 ppg

<u>Intermediate casing will be cemented as follows from 4,377'- 7,777':</u> Cement volume = Gauge hole + 25%

Сеше	nt volume	= Gauge note + 25	%			
	Casing <u>Size</u>	Cement Type	Cement Amounts	Cement <u>Yield</u>	Water <u>Mix</u>	Cement <u>Weight</u>
Lead:						
	9 5/8"	50/50 POZ'G 5% Salt (BWOW) 0.6% HALAD 322 0.25#/sk Flowcele 0.2% Super CBL 2% Micro Bond		1.25ft³/sk	5.26	14.35 ppg

Production casing will be cemented as follows from 7,577'- 10,500:

Note: Lead should be 200' above the Wasatch.

Cement volume = Gauge hole + 25%

Casing <u>Depth</u>	Casing <u>Size</u>	Cement Type	Cement Amounts	Cement <u>Yield</u>	Water <u>Mix</u>	Cement <u>Weight</u>
Lead:						
	4 ½	PREM.AG300 50/50 POZ "G" CM" 2% Gel 0.4% Halad 344 0.25% HR-12 0.2% CFR-3 5#/sk Sillicalite 20% SSA-1 0.25#/sk Flowcele 0.2% Super CBL	448 sks +/- Γ	1.73ft³/sk	8.17	13.5 ppg

5. BOP and Pressure Containment Data:

A 5000-psi WP BOP system as described in the BOP and Pressure Containment Data (attached) will be installed and maintained from the 13 3/8" surface casing. An upper kelly cock to the required pressure rating with a handle available shall be employed.

The BOP system including the casing will be pressure tested to minimum standards set forth in "On Shore Order #2". The BOP will be mechanically checked daily during the drilling operation.

6. Mud Program:

Interval	Mud weight lbs./gal.	Viscosity Sec./OT.	Fluid Loss Ml/30 Mins.	Mud Type
0-2000	Air/Clear Water	30-45	No Control	Water/Gel
4,577-T.D.	8.4-12.0		8-10	LSND

Note: Mud weights may exceed 12.0 due to solids increasing at or near T.D. Increased weights are not required to control formation pressure. Operator will have on location sufficient mud and weight material to increase mud weight to 12.0 at any time while drilling the subject well. Visual mud monitoring incorporating pit level indicators shall be used.

7. Testing, Coring, Sampling and Logging:

a) DST:

None are anticipated.

b) Coring:

There is the possibility of sidewall coring.

c) Mud Sampling:

Every 10' from 4,577' to T.D.

d) Logging:

Type

Interval

DLL/SFL W/GR and SP

T.D. to Surf. Csg

FDC/CNL W/GR and CAL T.I

T.D. to Surf. Csg

8. Abnormalities (including sour gas)

Anticipated bottom hole pressure will be less than 5000 psi. No abnormal pressures, temperatures or other hazards are anticipated. Other wells drilled in the area have not encountered over pressured zones or H2S.

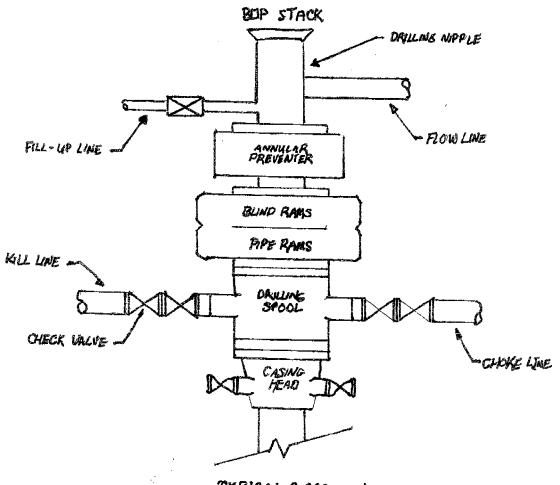
9. Other facets of the proposed operation:

Off set well information None

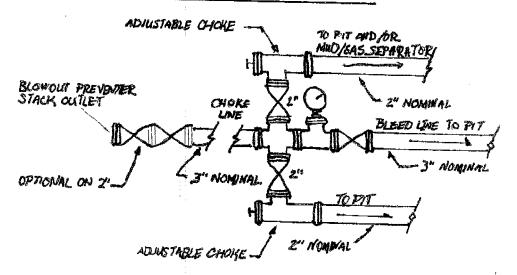
10. Drilling Schedule:

The anticipated starting date is <u>12/01/2006</u>. Duration of operations is expected to be 30 days.

TYPICAL 3,000 psi. BLOWOUT PREVENTER SCHEMATIC



CHOKE MANIFOLD SCHEMATIC



THE HOUSTON EXPLORATION COMPANY 13 POINT SURFACE USE PLAN

FOR WELL

NORTH HORSESHOE 1-15-6-21

LOCATED IN NE 1/4 NE 1/4

SECTION 15, T.6S, R21E, S.L.B.&M.

UINTAH COUNTY, UTAH

LEASE NUMBER: UTU-76504

SURFACE OWNERSHIP: FEDERAL

1. Existing Roads:

The Houston Exploration Co. North Horseshoe 1-15-6-21 Section 15, T6S, R 21E

Starting in Vernal, Utah: Proceed in an easterly, then southerly direction from Vernal, Utah along U.S. Highway 40 approximately 3.9 miles to the junction of State Highway 45; exit right and proceed in a southerly, then southeasterly direction approximately 7.2 miles on State Highway 45 to the junction of this road and an existing road to the southwest; turn right and proceed in a southwesterly, then westerly, then southerly direction approximately 2.0 miles to the junction of this road and an existing road to the northwest: turn right and proceed in a northwesterly direction approximately 0.8 miles to the beginning of the proposed access; follow road flags in a northwesterly, then northeasterly, then southeasterly direction approximately 0.2 miles to the proposed location.

Total distance from Vernal, Utah to the proposed well location is approximately 14.1 miles.

All existing roads to the proposed location are State of Utah, BLM maintained or County Class D roads. Please see the attached map for additional details.

2. Planned access road

The proposed access road will be approximately 1056' of new construction on lease. The road will be graded once per year minimum and maintained.

A) Approximate length	1056 ft
B) Right of Way width	30 ft
C) Running surface	18 ft
D) Surface material	Native soil
E) Maximum grade	8%
F) Fence crossing	None
G) Culvert	1
H) Turnouts	None
I) Major cuts and fills	None
J) Road Flagged	Yes
K) Access road surface	ownership
	Federal
L) All new construction	on lease
	Yes
M) Pipe line crossing	None

Please see the attached location plat for additional details.

An off lease right-of-way will not be required.

All surface disturbances for the road and location will be within the lease boundary.

3. Location of existing wells

The following wells are located within a one-mile radius of the location site.

A) Producing well	None
B) Water well	None
C) Abandoned well	None
D) Temp. abandoned well	None
E) Disposal well	None
F) Drilling /Permitted well	None

G) Shut in wells

None None

H) Injection well

I) Monitoring or observation well None

Please see the attached map for additional details.

4. Location of tank batteries, production facilities and production gathering service lines.

All production facilities are to be contained within the proposed location site. Please see the attached plat plan for a typical gas well separator installation and well site piping.

All permanent (on site for more than six months or longer) structures constructed or installed will be painted a **Carlsbad Canyon** color. Facilities required to comply with O.S.H.A. (Occupational Safety and Health Act) will be excluded. The required paint color is **Carlsbad Canyon**.

All tanks will be surrounded by a dike of sufficient capacity to contain the storage capacity of the largest tank in the battery. The integrity of the dike will be maintained.

The operator will adhere to all site security guidelines and regulation identified in 43 CFR 3126.7.

All off lease storage, off lease measurement, commingling on lease or off lease, of production, will have prior written approval form the authorized officer. If the well is capable of economic production a surface gas line will be required.

Approximately 5,045' of 3"steel surface gas gathering line would be constructed on Federal Lands. The line is proposed as surface due to topography, sensitive soils and bedrock sandstone. The line will tie into a proposed pipeline in 4Section 15, T6S, R21E. The pipeline would be strung and boomed to the southeast of the location and parallel to the access road.

An off lease right-of-way will be required for approximately 1,418.

Please see the attached location diagrams for pipeline location.

The gas meter run will be located within 500' of the wellhead. The gas line will be buried or anchored down from the wellhead to the meter. Meter runs will be housed and/or fenced.

The gas meter will be calibrated and the tank strapped in place prior to any deliveries. Tests for meter accuracy will be conducted monthly for the first three months on new meter installations and at least quarterly thereafter. The authorized officer will be provided with a date and time for the initial meter calibration and all future meterproving schedules. A copy of the meter calibration report will be submitted to the BLM's Vernal District office and State of Utah, Division of Oil, Gas, and Mining. All measurement facilities will

conform to API (American Petroleum Institute) and AGA (American Gas Association) standards for gas and liquid hydrocarbon measurement.

5. Location and type of water supply

Water for drilling and cementing will come from The Green River Permit #T-76073.

6. Source of construction materials

All construction material for this location site and access road shall be borrow material accumulated during construction of the location site and access road. Additional road gravel or pit lining material will be obtained from private resources.

7. Methods for handling waste disposal

A) Pit construction and liners:

The reserve pit will be approximately 12 ft. deep and most of the depth shall be below the surface of the existing ground Please see the attached plat for details.

The reserve pit will be lined.

The reserve pit will be used to store water for drilling. A semiclosed system will be used to drill the well. All fresh water for drilling will come from a frac tank placed on location and from the rig tank. The pit will be used to hold non-flammable materials such as cuttings, salt, drilling fluids, chemicals, produced fluids, etc.

B) Produced fluids:

Produced water will be confined to the reserve pit, or if deemed necessary, a storage tank for a period not to exceed 90 days after initial production. During the 90-day period an application for approval for permanent disposal method and location will be submitted to the authorized officer. Evaporation may be used instead of trucking to facilitate closing and reclamation of the reserve pit. A pumping system would be used for evaporation.

C) Garbage:

A trash cage fabricated from expanded metal will be used to hold trash on location and will be removed to an authorized landfill location.

D) Sewage:

A portable chemical toilet will be supplied for human waste.

E) Site clean-up:

After the rig is moved off the location the well site area will be cleaned and all refuse removed.

8. Ancillary facilities

There are no ancillary facilities planned at this time and none are

foreseen for the future.

9. Well-site layout

Location dimensions are as follows:

A) Pad length	345 ft.
B) Pad width	245 ft.
C) Pit depth	12 ft.
D) Pit length	150 ft.
E) Pit width	75 ft.
F) Max cut	21.2 ft.
G) Max fill	4.3 ft.
H) Total cut yds.	10,640 cu yds
I) Pit location	North end

J) Top soil location

East end

K) Access road location

West end

L) Flare Pit

Corner C

Please note: Max cut reflects total cut to the bottom of the pit.

Please see the attached location diagram for additional details.

All pits will be fenced according to the following minimum standards:

- A) Thirty nine inch net wire shall be used with at least one strand of wire on top of the net wire. Barbed wire is not necessary if pipe or some type of reinforcement rod is attached to the top of the entire fence.
- B) The net wire shall be no more than 2 inches above the ground. The barbed wire shall be 3 inches above the net wire. Total height of the fence shall be at leas 42 inches.

- C) Corner posts shall be cemented and/or braced in such a manner to keep the fence tight at all times.
- D) Standard steel, wood or pipe posts shall be used between the corner braces. Maximum distance between any two posts shall be no greater than 16 ft.
- E) All wire shall be stretched by using a stretching device before it is attached to the corner posts.
- 10. Plans for restoration of the surface

Prior to construction of the location, the top 6 inches of soil material will be stripped off the location and the pit area. The topsoil removed and piled will amount to approximately 1,740 cubic yards of material. Topsoil will be stockpiled in one distinct pile. Placement of the topsoil is noted on the attached location plat. The topsoil pile from the location will be seeded as soon as the soil is stock piled with the seed mix listed. When all drilling and completion activities have been completed and the pit back-filled the topsoil from the pit area will be spread on the pit area. The pit area will be seeded when the soil has been spread. The unused portion of the location (the area outside the dead men) will be recontoured.

The dirt contractor will be provided with an approved copy of the

surface use plan prior to construction activities.

Changes to the drainage during the construction activities shall be restored to its original line of flow or as near as possible when the pit is back-filled

All disturbed areas will be recontoured to the approximate natural contours. Prior to back filling the pit the fences around the reserve pit will be removed.

The reserve pit will be reclaimed within 90 days of well completion. If the reserve pit has not dried sufficiently to allow back filling, an extension on the time requirement for back filling the pit will be requested. Once reclamation activities have begun, they shall be completed within 30 days.

After the reserve pit has been reclaimed, no depressions in the soil covering the reserve pit will be allowed. The objective is to keep seasonal rainfall and run off from seeping into the soil used to cover the reserve pit. Diversion ditches and water bars will be used to divert the run off as needed.

When restoration activities have been completed, the location site and new access road cuts and shoulders shall be reseeded. Prior to reseeding, all disturbed areas will be scarified and left with a rough surface.

A) Seeding dates:

Seed will be spread when topsoil is stock piled and when reclamation work is performed.

The seed mix and quantity list will be used whether the seed is broadcast or drilled.

B) Interim Seed Mix

4#/acre Indian Rice Grass 4#/acre Crested Wheat Grass 4#/acre Needle & Thread Grass

11. Surface ownership:

Access road	Federal
Location	Federal
Pipe line	Federal

12. Other information:

A) Vegetation

The vegetation coverage is slight. The majority of the existing vegetation consists of non-native species. Rabbit brush, bitter brush, and Indian Rice grass and Sagebrush are also found on the location.

B) Dwellings:

There are no dwellings or other facilities within a one-mile radius of the location.

C) Archeology:

The location has been surveyed. A copy of that survey will be forwarded to your office.

If, during operations, any archaeological or historical sites, or any objects of antiquity (subject to the antiquities act of June 8, 1906) are discovered, all operations, which would affect such sites, will be suspended and the discovery reported promptly to the surface management agency.

D) Water:

The nearest water is the Green River located 3,500' to the Southeast.

E) Chemicals:

No pesticides, herbicides or other possible hazardous chemicals will be used without prior application.

F) Notification:

- a) Location Construction At least forty eight (48) hours prior to construction of location and access roads.
- b) Location completion prior to moving on the drilling rig.
- c) Spud notice At least twenty-four (24) hours prior to spudding the well.
- d) Casing string and cementing
 At least twenty-four (24) hours prior to running casing and cementing all casing strings.
- e) BOP and related equipment tests

- At least twenty-four (24) hours prior to initial pressure tests.
- f) First production notice Within five (5) business days after the new well begins, or production resumes after well has been off production for more than 90 days.

G) Flare pit:

The flare pit will be located in **corner C** of the reserve pit out side the pit fences and 100 feet from the bore hole on the east side of the location. All fluids will be removed from the pit within 48 hours of occurrence.

13. Lessees or Operator's representative and certification

A) Representative

William A. Ryan Rocky Mountain Consulting 290 S 800 E Vernal, UT 84078

Office 435-789-0968 Fax 435-789-0970 Cellular 435-828-0968

All lease and/or unit operations will be conducted in such a manner that full compliance is made with all applicable laws, regulations, onshore oil and gas orders, and any applicable notices to lessees. The operator is fully responsible for the actions of his subcontractors. A copy of these conditions will be

furnished to the field representative to ensure compliance.

This drilling permit will be valid for a period of one year from the date of approval.

After permit termination, a new application will be filed for approval for any future operations.

B) Certification:

I hereby certify that I, or persons under my direct supervision, have inspected the proposed drill-site and access route that I am familiar with the conditions which presently exist, that the statements made in this plan are, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true and correct, and that the work associated with the operation proposed herein will be preformed by The Houston Exploration Company and its contractors and subcontractors in conformity with this plan and terms and conditions with this plan and the terms and conditions under which it is approved. This statement is subject to the provisions of 18 U.S.C. 1001 for filing of a false statement.

Onsite Dates: 3/23/06

Self Certification Statement

The following self-certification statement is provided per Federal requirements dated June 15, 1988.

Please be advised that The Houston Exploration Company is considered to be the operator of the following well:

North Horseshoe #1-15-6-21 Section 15, T. 6S, R. 21E NE ¼ of the NE ¼ Lease UTU-76504 Uintah County, Utah

The Houston Exploration Company is responsible under the terms and conditions of the lease for the operations conducted upon the lease lands.

Bond UTU-104155044 provides statewide bond coverage on all Federal Lands.

William A. Ryan, Agent

Rocky Mountain Consulting

Statement of use of Hazardous Materials

No chemical(s) from the EPA's consolidated list of Chemicals subject to Reporting under Title III of the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization, Act (SARA) of 1986 will be used, produced, transported, stored, disposed, or associated with the proposed action. No extremely hazardous substances, as defined in 40 cfr 355, will be used, produced, stored, transported, disposed, or associated with the proposed action.

If you require additional information please contact:

William A Ryan Agent for The Houston Exploration Company Rocky Mountain Consulting 290 S 800 E Vernal, UT 84078

435-789-0968 Office 435-828-0968 Cell 435-789-0970 Fax

THE HOUSTON EXPLORATION COMPANY

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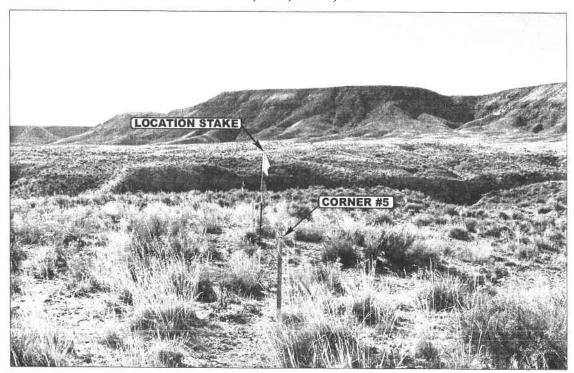


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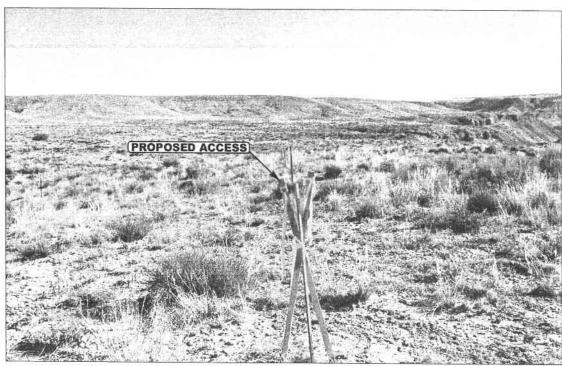


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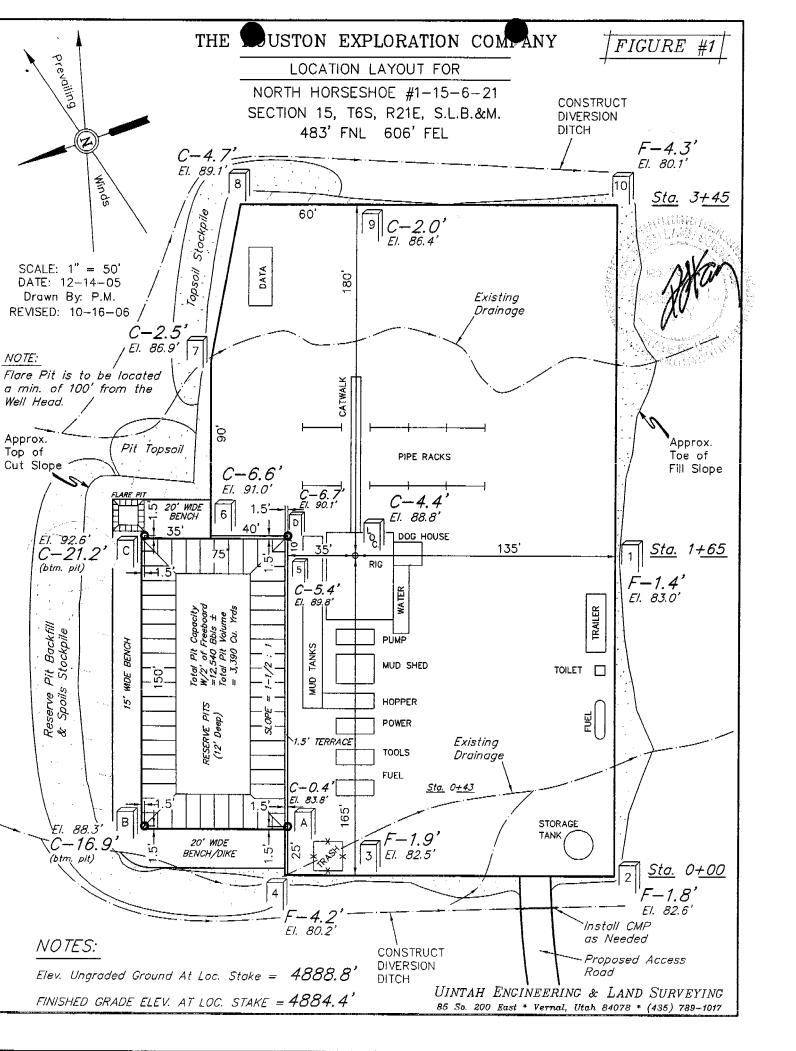


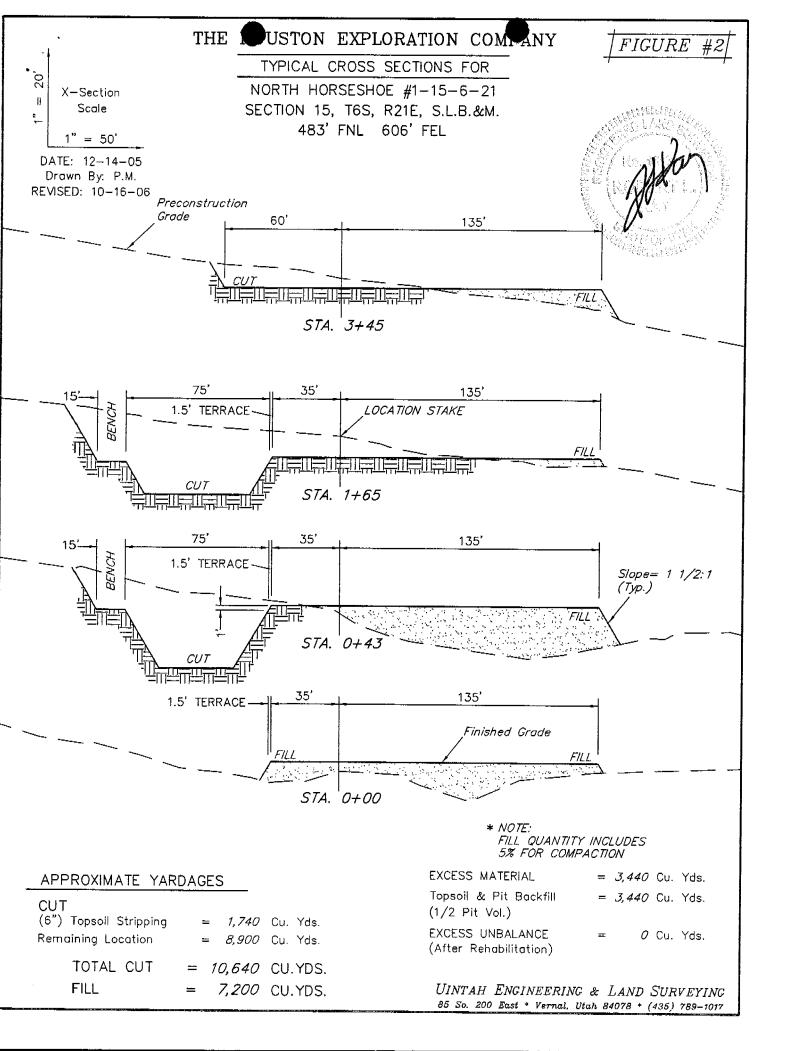
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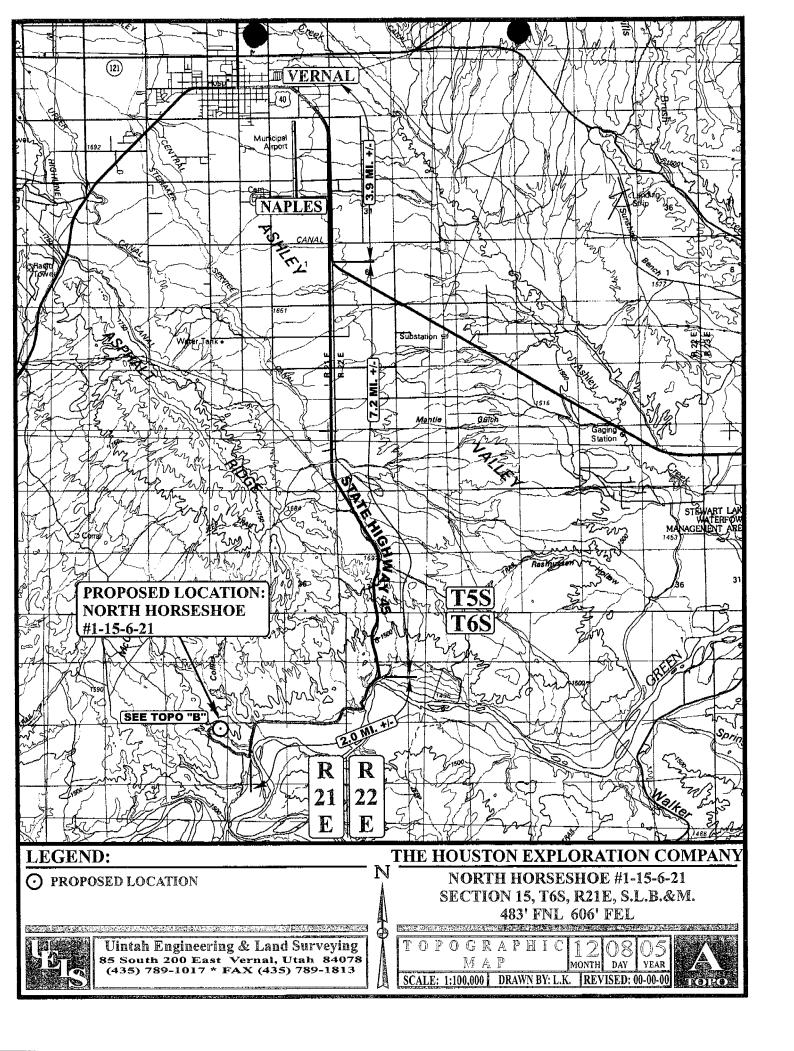
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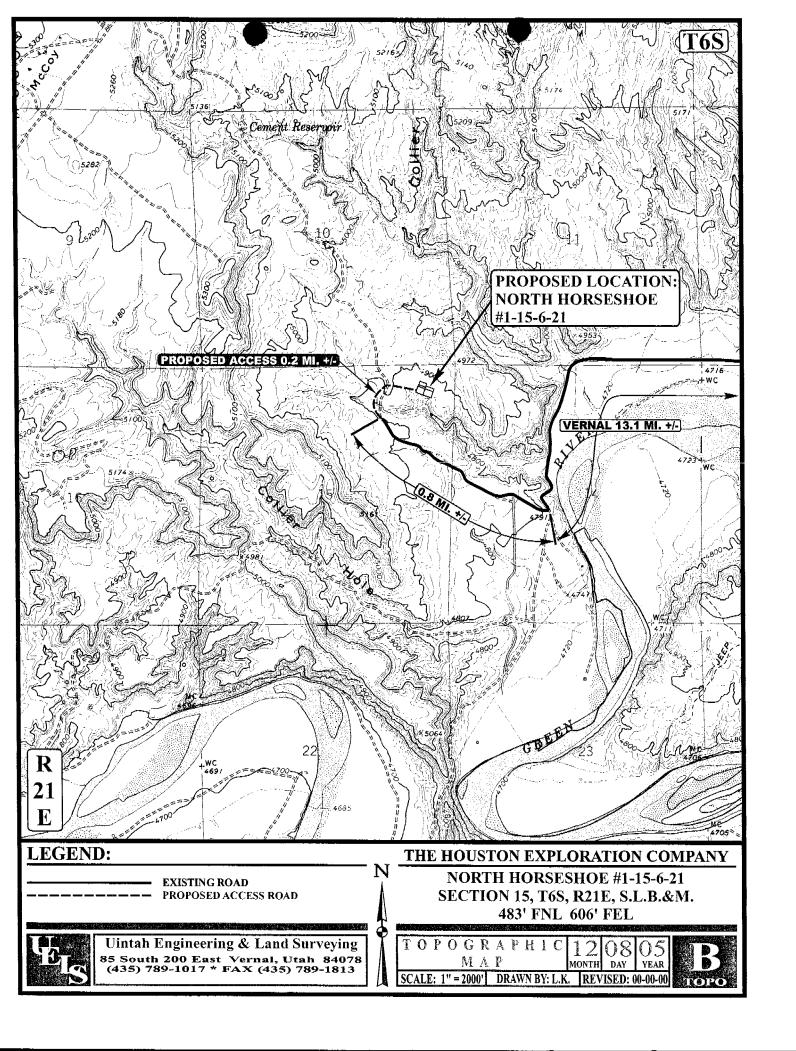
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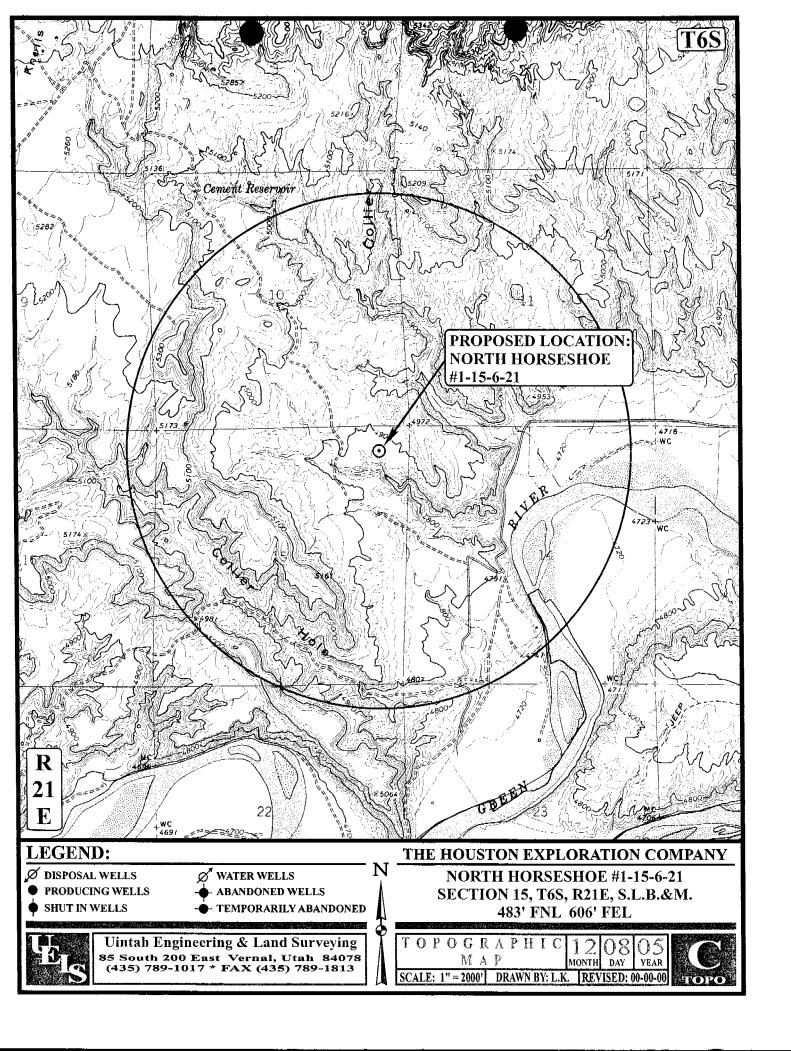
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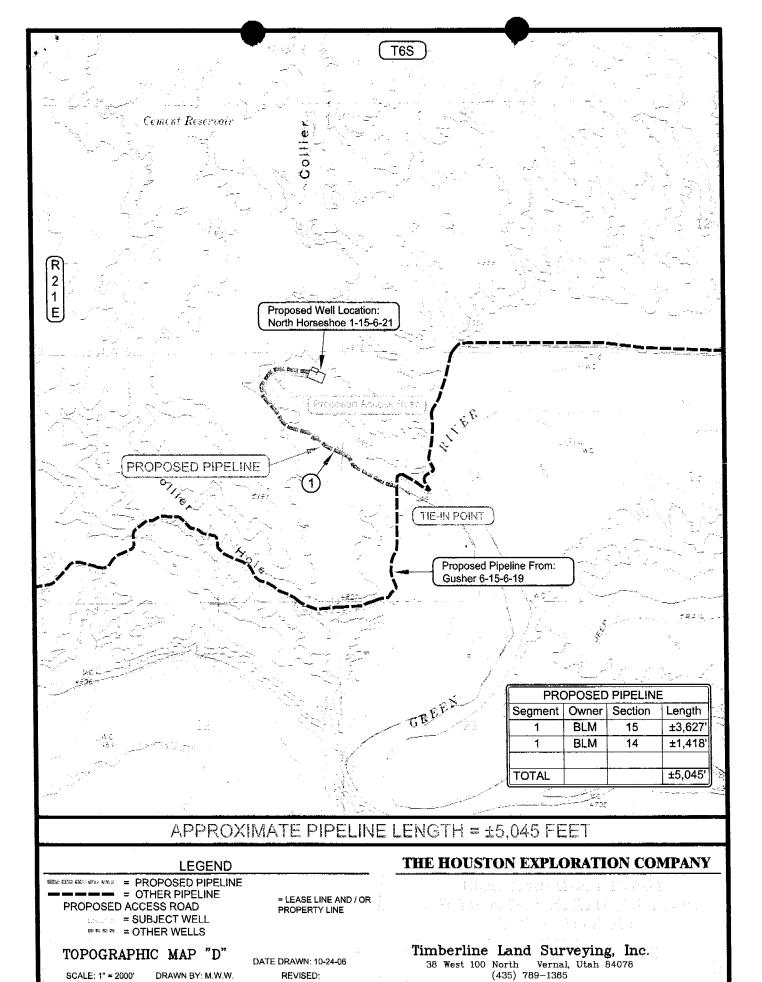




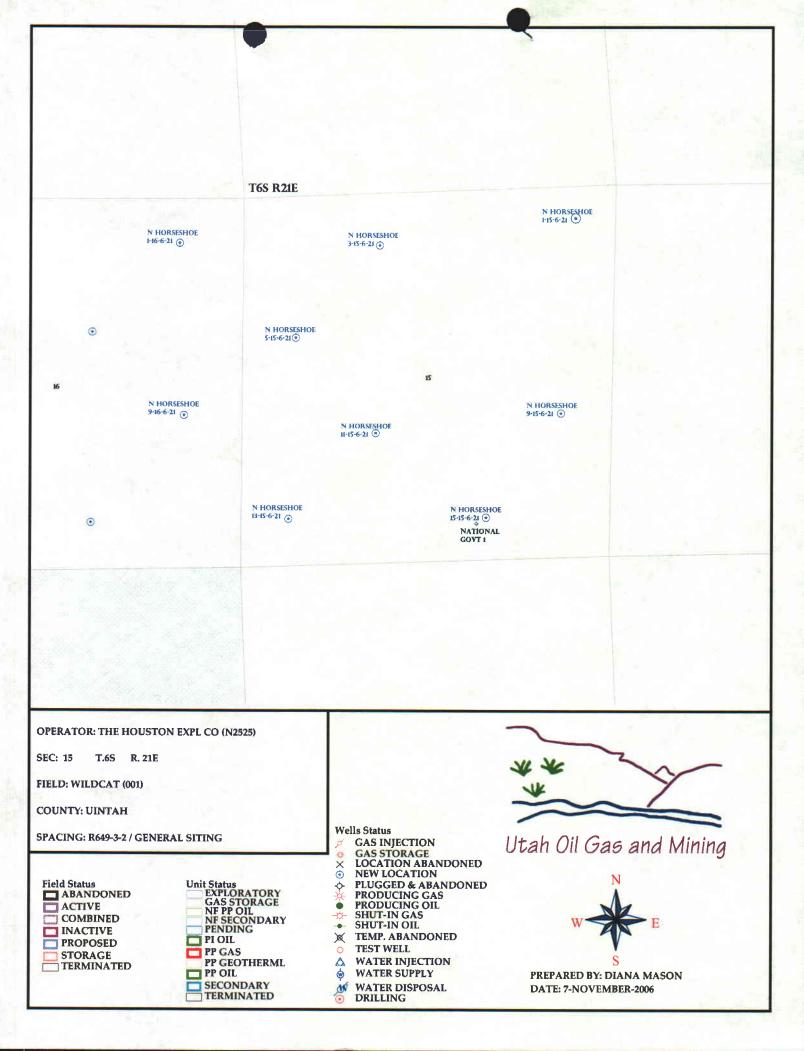








APD RECEIVED: 11/07/2006	API NO. ASSIGNED: 43-047-38831
WELL NAME: N HORSESHOE 1-15-6-21 OPERATOR: HOUSTON EXPLORATION CO, (N2525) CONTACT: BILL RYAN	PHONE NUMBER: 713-830-6800
PROPOSED LOCATION: NENE 15 060S 210E SURFACE: 0483 FNL 0606 FEL BOTTOM: 0483 FNL 0606 FEL COUNTY: UINTAH LATITUDE: 40.30504 LONGITUDE: -109.5340 UTM SURF EASTINGS: 624582 NORTHINGS: 44624 FIELD NAME: WILDCAT (1 LEASE TYPE: 1 - Federal LEASE NUMBER: UTU-76504	
SURFACE OWNER: 1 - Federal	COALBED METHANE WELL? NO
Plat Bond: Fed[1] Ind[] Sta[] Fee[] (No. 104155044 Potash (Y/N) Oil Shale 190-5 (B) or 190-3 or 190-13 Water Permit (No. T-76073 RDCC Review (Y/N) (Date:) Fee Surf Agreement (Y/N) Intent to Commingle (Y/N)	LOCATION AND SITING: R649-2-3. Unit:R649-3-2. General Siting: 460 From Qtr/Qtr & 920' Between Wells R649-3-3. Exception Drilling Unit Board Cause No: Eff Date: Siting: R649-3-11. Directional Drill
STIPULATIONS: 1- Georg Stive	





State of Utah

Department of Natural Resources

MICHAEL R. STYLER Executive Director

Division of Oil, Gas & Mining

JOHN R. BAZA Division Director JON M. HUNTSMAN, JR. Governor

> GARY R. HERBERT Lieutenant Governor

> > November 7, 2006

Houston Exploration Company 1100 Louisiana, Ste. 2000 Houston, TX 77002

Re: North Horseshoe 1-15-6-21 Well, 483' FNL, 606' FEL, NE NE, Sec. 15,

T. 6 South, R. 21 East, Uintah County, Utah

Gentlemen:

Pursuant to the provisions and requirements of Utah Code Ann.§ 40-6-1 *et seq.*, Utah Administrative Code R649-3-1 *et seq.*, and the attached Conditions of Approval, approval to drill the referenced well is granted.

This approval shall expire one year from the above date unless substantial and continuous operation is underway, or a request for extension is made prior to the expiration date. The API identification number assigned to this well is 43-047-38831.

Sincerely,

Gil Hunt

Associate Director

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Enclosures

cc: Uintah County Assessor (via e-mail)

Bureau of Land Management, Vernal District Office

Operator:	Houston	n Exploration Company	
Well Name & Number	North F	Iorseshoe 1-15-6-21	
API Number:	43-047-	38831	
Lease:	<u>UTU-7</u>	6504	
Location: NE NE	Sec. 15	T. 6 South	R. _21 East_

Conditions of Approval

1. General

Compliance with the requirements of Utah Admin. R. 649-1 *et seq.*, the Oil and Gas Conservation General Rules, and the applicable terms and provisions of the approved Application for permit to drill.

2. Notification Requirements

Notify the Division within 24 hours of spudding the well.

Contact Carol Daniels at (801) 538-5284.

Notify the Division prior to commencing operations to plug and abandon the well.

Contact Dan Jarvis at (801) 538-5338

3. Reporting Requirements

All required reports, forms and submittals will be promptly filed with the Division, including but not limited to the Entity Action Form (Form 6), Report of Water Encountered During Drilling (Form 7), Weekly Progress Reports for drilling and completion operations, and Sundry Notices and Reports on Wells requesting approval of change of plans or other operational actions.

- 4. State approval of this well does not supersede the required federal approval, which must be obtained prior to drilling.
- 5. This proposed well is located in an area for which drilling units (well spacing patterns) have not been established through an order of the Board of Oil, Gas and Mining (the "Board"). In order to avoid the possibility of waste or injury to correlative rights, the operator is requested, once the well has been drilled, completed, and has produced, to analyze geological and engineering data generated therefrom, as well as any similar data from surrounding areas if available. As soon as is practicable after completion of its analysis, and if the analysis suggests an area larger than the quarter-quarter section upon which the well is located is being drained, the operator is requested to seek an appropriate order from the Board establishing drilling and spacing units in conformance with such analysis by filing a Request for Agency Action with the Board.

Division of Oil, Gas and Mining

OPERATOR CHANGE WORKSHEET

ROUTING
1. DJJ
2. CDW

Change of Operator (Well Solo	ľ
he operator of the well(s) listed below	7

Change of Operator (Well Sold)			Λ-	Operato	r Merger		
The operator of the well(s) listed below has chan	iged, effectiv	/e:	f		6/1/2007		
FROM: (Old Operator):			TO: (New O	perator):			
N2525 - The Houston Exploration Company			N6965-Forest		ition		
1100 Louisiana, Suite 2000				h St, Suite			
Houston, TX 77002				, CO 80202			
Phone: 1-(713) 830-6800			Phone: 1 (303)				
CA No.	-		Unit:	012 1733			
WELL NAME	SEC TWN	RNG		ENTITY	LEASE	WELL	WELL
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SEE ATTACHED LIST							
OPERATOR CHANGES DOCUMENT	ATION						
Enter date after each listed item is completed	2111011						
1. (R649-8-10) Sundry or legal documentation wa	as received f	rom the	FORMER one	rator on:	7/30/2007		
2. (R649-8-10) Sundry or legal documentation wa					7/30/2007	_	
3. The new company was checked on the Depart			•				7/21/2007
4a. Is the new operator registered in the State of U		innei ce	Business Numb				7/31/2007
			Dusiness Numb	er:	571171-0143) -	
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5a. (R649-9-2)Waste Management Plan has been re			IN PLACE				
5b. Inspections of LA PA state/fee well sites comp.				<u>.</u>			
5c. Reports current for Production/Disposition & S			YES				
6. Federal and Indian Lease Wells: The BL				merger, na	me change,		•
or operator change for all wells listed on Federa	al or Indian	leases o	n:	BLM	7/31/2007	BIA	•
7. Federal and Indian Units:							
The BLM or BIA has approved the successor	-				n/a	_	
8. Federal and Indian Communization Ag	,						
The BLM or BIA has approved the operator is		listed w	ithin a CA on:		n/a	_	
9. Underground Injection Control ("UIC"	•		vision has appro			fer of Au	thority to
Inject, for the enhanced/secondary recovery un	it/project for	r the wa	ter disposal wel	l(s) listed o	n:	n/a	<u>-</u>
DATA ENTRY:							
1. Changes entered in the Oil and Gas Database			8/27/2007				
2. Changes have been entered on the Monthly Op	erator Cha	nge Sp			8/27/2007	•	
3. Bond information entered in RBDMS on:			8/27/2007				
4. Fee/State wells attached to bond in RBDMS on5. Injection Projects to new operator in RBDMS of			8/27/2007				
5. Injection Projects to new operator in RBDMS of6. Receipt of Acceptance of Drilling Procedures for			n/a	7/20/2007			
BOND VERIFICATION:	of Ard/Inch	V OII.		7/30/2007			
Federal well(s) covered by Bond Number:			6236351				
2. Indian well(s) covered by Bond Number:			n/a				
3a. (R649-3-1) The NEW operator of any fee wel	l(s) listed co	wered b		•	6218963		
3b. The FORMER operator has requested a release				not yet	0210703	•	
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LEASE INTEREST OWNER NOTIFIC			. 1 1 2	11 .	=		
4. (R649-2-10) The FORMER operator of the fee					ter from the D	ivision	
of their responsibility to notify all interest owner	rs of this cha	inge on:		8/1/2007			

STATE OF UTAHDEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

[DIVISION OF OIL, GAS AND MII	NING	5. LEASE DESIGNATION AND SERIAL NUMBER: See Attached List
SUNDRY	NOTICES AND REPORTS	S ON WELLS	6. IF INDIAN, ALLOTTEE OR TRIBE NAME:
Do not use this form for proposals to drill no drill horizontal la	ew wells, significantly deepen existing wells below curn terals. Use APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO DRILL fr	rent bottom-hole depth, reenter plugged wells, or to	7. UNIT or CA AGREEMENT NAME:
1. TYPE OF WELL OIL WELL	GAS WELL OTHER_		WELL NAME and NUMBER:
2. NAME OF OPERATOR:			See Attached List 9. API NUMBER:
Forest Oil Corporation	N6965		various
3. ADDRESS OF OPERATOR: 707 17th Street, #3600	, Denver, STATE CO ZIP	PHONE NUMBER: (303) 812-1755	10. FIELD AND POOL, OR WILDCAT:
4. LOCATION OF WELL			
FOOTAGES AT SURFACE: See at	tached list		COUNTY:
QTR/QTR, SECTION, TOWNSHIP, RANG	GE, MERIDIAN:		STATE: UTAH
11. CHECK APPR	ROPRIATE BOXES TO INDICAT	E NATURE OF NOTICE. REP	PORT, OR OTHER DATA
TYPE OF SUBMISSION		TYPE OF ACTION	
NOTICE OF INTENT	ACIDIZE	DEEPEN	REPERFORATE CURRENT FORMATION
(Submit in Duplicate)	ALTER CASING	FRACTURE TREAT	SIDETRACK TO REPAIR WELL
Approximate date work will start:	CASING REPAIR	NEW CONSTRUCTION	TEMPORARILY ABANDON
	CHANGE TO PREVIOUS PLANS	OPERATOR CHANGE	TUBING REPAIR
[7] ourseles	CHANGE TUBING	PLUG AND ABANDON	VENT OR FLARE
SUBSEQUENT REPORT (Submit Original Form Only)	CHANGE WELL NAME	PLUG BACK	WATER DISPOSAL
Date of work completion:	CHANGE WELL STATUS	PRODUCTION (START/RESUME)	WATER SHUT-OFF
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N-2525) to Forest Oil Corporation as a approved operations cond Forest Oil Corporation med Please send all future correct Oil Corporation, 70° ACA CORPORATI	change the operator for the attactoration (N-6965). Forest merged he contract operated wells will connew operator, accepts all applicated on the lease or portion of the lease of Utah bonding requests the State of Utah bonding requests the State of Forest Oil Corporation 17 17th Street, Suite #3600, Denver President - Western Region	d with The Houston Exploration named to be contract operated ble terms, conditions, stipulation he lease described. Suirements under Safeco bond ration at the above listed addressed.	n Company, a copy of the merger by Enduring. ons and restrictions concerning #6218963.
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STATE OF UTAH DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES DIVISION OF OIL, GAS AND MINING

Request to Transfer Application or Permit to Drill

(This form should accompany a Sundry Notice, Form 9, requesting APD transfer)

Well name:	N Horseshoe 1-15-6-21	
API number:	4304738831	
Location:	Qtr-Qtr: NENE Section: 15 Township: 6S Range: 21E	
Company that filed original application:	The Houston Exploration Company	
Date original permit was issued:	11/07/2006	
Company that permit was issued to:	The Houston Exploration Company	

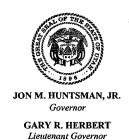
Check one	Desired Action:	
	Transfer pending (unapproved) Application for Permit to Drill to new operator	
	Cathor	
	The undersigned as owner with legal rights to drill on the property, hereby verifies that the information as submitted in the pending Application for Permit to Drill, remains valid and does not require revision. The new owner of the application accepts and agrees to the information and procedures as stated in the application.	
✓	Transfer approved Application for Permit to Drill to new operator	
	The undersigned as owner with legal rights to drill on the property as permitted, hereby verifies that the information as submitted in the previously approved application to drill, remains valid and does not require revision.	

Following is a checklist of some items related to the application, which should be verified.		No
If located on private land, has the ownership changed?		√
If so, has the surface agreement been updated?		
Have any wells been drilled in the vicinity of the proposed well which would affect the spacing or siting requirements for this location?		1
Have there been any unit or other agreements put in place that could affect the permitting or operation of this proposed well?		✓
Have there been any changes to the access route including ownership or right-of-way, which could affect the proposed location?		✓
Has the approved source of water for drilling changed?		✓
Have there been any physical changes to the surface location or access route which will require a change in plans from what was discussed at the onsite evaluation?		1
Is bonding still in place, which covers this proposed well? Bond No. 6218963	√	

Any desired or necessary changes to either a pending or approved Application for Permit to Drill that is being transferred, should be filed on a Sundry Notice, Form 9, or amended Application for Permit to Drill, Form 3, as appropriate, with necessary supporting information as required.

Name (please print) Tami Hofmann	Title Regulatory Specialist
Signature Jami Formann	Date 08/06/2007
Representing (company name) Forest Oil Corporation	

The person signing this form must have legal authority to represent the company or individual(s) to be listed as the new operator on the Application for Permit to Drill.



State of Utah

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

MICHAEL R. STYLER
Executive Director

Division of Oil, Gas and Mining

JOHN R. BAZA
Division Director

February 15, 2008

The Houston Exploration Company 1100 Louisiana, Suite 2000 Houston, TX 77002-6800

Re:

APD Rescinded - North Horseshoe 1-15-6-21, Sec. 15, T. 6S, R. 21E

Uintah County, Utah API No. 43-047-38831

Gentlemen:

The Application for Permit to Drill (APD) for the subject well was approved by the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining (Division) on November 7, 2006. No drilling activity at these locations has been reported to the division. Therefore, approval to drill these wells is hereby rescinded, effective February 15, 2008.

A new APD must be filed with this office for approval <u>prior</u> to the commencement of any future work on the subject locations.

If any previously unreported operations have been performed on this well location, it is imperative that you notify the Division immediately.

Sincerely,

Diana Mason Environmental Scientist

cc:

Well File

Bureau of Land Management, Vernal

